



CORE MPO Board

MPC Mendonsa Hearing Room – 10:00 a.m.
 112 East State Street, Savannah
 Minutes

August 22, 2018 Meeting Minutes of the CORE MPO Board

Voting Members	Representing	Present
James Aberson	Advisory Committee on Accessible Transportation	X
Russ Carpenter	City of Richmond Hill	
Wesley Corbitt	Effingham County Commission	
Bill Durrence	City of Savannah	X
Eddie DeLoach	City of Savannah	
Joseph Ervin	Metropolitan Planning Commission	X
Ron Feldner	City of Garden City	X
George Fidler	Savannah Airport Commission	X
Howard French	Chatham Area Transit Board of Directors	
Shawn Gillen	City of Tybee Island	
Caroline Hankins	Town of Thunderbolt	
James Hungerpiller	Town of Vernonberg	
Curtis Koleber	Chatham Area Transit Authority	
Mike Lamb	City of Pooler	X
Tom McQueen	Georgia Department of Transportation	X
Gary Norton	City of Port Wentworth	
Ben Rozier	City of Bloomingdale	
Al Scott	Chatham County Commission	X
Estella Shabazz	City of Savannah	X
Lee Smith	Chatham County	
Bob Tully	Citizens Advisory Committee	X
Vacant	Economic Development & Freight Advisory Committee	
Vacant	Chatham County	

Others	Representing	
Pamela Bernard	Chatham County Engineering	X
Stephanie Rossi	CORE MPO	X
Wykoda Wang	CORE MPO	X
Mark Wilkes	CORE MPO	X
Melanie Wilson	MPC	X
James Small	MPC	X
Byron Cowart	GDOT-DS5	X
Amanda Clemet	Effingham County	X
Aidan Quirke	Chatham Area Transit	X
Matt Saxon	City of Pooler	X

I. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Joseph Ervin motioned to approve the August 22, 2018 CORE MPO Board meeting agenda; seconded by Mr. Bob Tully. The motion was passed with none opposed.

II. Committee Reports (verbal)

ACAT

Mr. James Aberson reported that ACAT met on Monday, August 20, 2018. The committee voted in favor of the action items on the agenda. There were concerns with CAT and Yellow Cab separating. The issue of a lack of accessible taxis in the area for disabled persons, especially for those in wheelchairs was brought up.

CAC

Mr. Bob Tully reported that CAC met on Thursday, August 16, 2018. The committee voted in favor of the action items on the agenda. CAC held elections electing Mr. Bob Tully chairman.

TCC

Ms. Pamela Bernard reported that TCC met on Thursday, August 16, 2018. There was discussion and concern regarding the pavement evaluation of non-state routes on the national highway system with respect to who will provide that information and what if any evaluation method will be specified. TCC endorsed the adoption of the Transit Asset Management targets and conditionally endorsed the performance targets for bridge and pavement conditions and systems performance. Ms. Stephanie sent out an email of the agreement indicating GDOT will be responsible for collecting the bridge and pavement condition data for all national highway systems roads. This alleviated previous concern of the local municipalities.

Executive Director Report

Mr. Mark Wilkes recognized new members Alderman Bill Durrence and Alderwoman Dr. Estella Shabazz from the City of Savannah.

III. Action Items

1. Approval of the June 27, 2018 CORE MPO Board Meeting Minutes

📎 [june-27-2018-meeting-minutes-of-the-core-mpo-board.pdf](#)

Mr. Bob Tully made a motion to approve the June 27, 2018 CORE MPO Board Meeting minutes; seconded by Mr. James Aberson. The motion was passed with none opposed.

2. Performance Based Planning and Programming: Transit Asset Management Targets

📎 [TAM Resolution.pdf](#)

📎 [TAM Staff Report Aug 2018.pdf](#)

📎 [Transit Asset Management Text Amendment.pdf](#)

Ms. Stephanie Rossi presented the Performance-based Planning and Programming: Transit Asset Management targets.

The 2016 Transit Asset Management (TAM) Final Rule as part of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST ACT) develops a framework for transit agencies to monitor and manage public transportation assets, improve safety, increase reliability and performance, and establish performance measures in order to help keep their systems operating smoothly and efficiently. As a part of the TAM framework, the CORE MPO is required to set a TAM target. The MPO has until October 1, 2018 to set targets. TAM helps to prioritize projects and optimize funding allocations based on the

condition of transit assets to achieve and maintain a State of Good Repair (SGR) for the nation's public transportation assets.

Staff recommends approval of the Regional Transit Asset Management Performance Targets.

Mr. James Aberson made a motion to endorse the proposed Performance Planning and Programming: Transit Asset Management Targets; seconded by Mr. Bob Tully. The motion was passed with none opposed.

[3. Performance Based Planning and Programming: Bridge and Pavement Conditions and System Performance Targets](#)

📎 [GDOT PM2 and PM3 Targets AUGUST STAFF REPORT.pdf](#)

Ms. Stephanie Rossi presented the Performance-based Planning and Programming: Bridge and Pavement conditions and Systems Performance targets.

The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST ACT) require that all state departments of transportation and metropolitan planning organizations use a performance-based planning and programming approach as part of the Transportation Performance Management (TPM) program. FHWA defines TPM as a strategic approach that uses system information to make investment and policy decisions to achieve national performance goals. As part of the TPM each state DOT and MPO must adopt targets to strive for within the planning and programming process. State DOTs and MPOs are required to set targets for a variety of performance measures related to safety, state of good repair and system performance.

Staff recommends approval of supporting the State's adopted targets for Bridge and Pavement conditions and systems Performance Targets.

Mr. James Aberson made a motion to endorse the proposed Performance Planning and Programming: Bridge and Pavement Conditions and Systems Performance; seconded by Mr. Joseph Ervin. The motion was passed with none opposed.

[4. Approval of the 2019 Meeting Schedule](#)

📎 [Draft 2019 Committee Schedule.pdf](#)

Mr. James Aberson made a motion to approve the 2019 CORE MPO Board meeting schedule; seconded by Mr. Ron Feldner. The motion was passed with none opposed.

IV. Other Business

The MPC Executive Director Ms. Melanie Wilson provided information on the Long Range Transportation Plan Update and requested that members encourage their constituents to attend the upcoming public meetings.

Mr. Lee Smith suggested that the CORE MPO Board schedule be emailed to partners, so it can be included on the calendars of board members.

Mr. James Aberson announced that Tom Lamar passed away on August 6th, 2018. He was a past Chairman of ACAT.

V. Status Reports

[5. Status Update on the 2045 Metropolitan Plan Update](#)

☉ [August 2018 MTP Update Staff Report.pdf](#)

Ms. Stephanie Rossi reported that the 2015 and 2045 Socio Economic data submitted to GDOT in June and July respectively were both approved.

The MTP goals, objectives, and performance measures are being refined. Staff will meet with the TCC subcommittee next week. The list of goals and objectives will be brought back to the MPO Board in October for adoption.

The first open house is scheduled for September 20, 2018 at First Presbyterian Church from 4:30-6:30pm. The second is scheduled for October 4, 2018 at St. Luke Baptist Church 4:30 – 6:30.

The online survey was available from June 21- July 31, 2018. The survey is still open for response. During the allotted time frame we received 600 responses. A larger public outreach initiative will be made soon before the plan goes up for adoption.

Mr. Tom McQueen asked how we are reaching out to transportation and logistics companies concerning the survey. To discuss freight related transportation needs Mr. Mark Wilkes stated that we will reactivate the Economic Development and Freight Advisory Committee (EDFAC) with three meetings on the plan update in January 2019. These meetings are shown on the schedule that was approved earlier at this meeting.

VI. Information Reports (verbal)

Mr. Byron Cowart, Planning and Programming engineer for GDOT District 5, presented the GDOT/Chatham County Projects Status Report.

Ms. Pamela Bernard, Senior Transportation Engineer for Chatham County, presented the status report for the Chatham County Roadway Improvement Program.

Mayor Mike Lamb of Pooler reported that Old Quacco Rd. has been closed and new box culverts have been installed.

VII. Other Public Comments (limit to 3 minutes)

None

VIII. Announcements

[6. Next CORE MPO Board Meeting: October 24, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. in the MPC Mendonsa Hearing Room](#)

IX. Other Non-Agenda Information for Reference

County Manager Lee Smith spoke briefly on the impact of Chatham County's social media presence.

X. Adjournment

There being no further business, the August 22, 2018 meeting of the CORE MPO Board was adjourned.